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State Representative Tom Reynolds
Deputy Majority Leader
Ledyard, Preston & Montville

Dear Tom,

I am writing this email in support of reducing the minimum budget requirement for education budgets. As a member of a board of finance in a small community the education budget is crippling our overall budget. We have reductions in enrollment as well as voluntary staff reductions and yet the education budget is overfunded. In just the fiscal year 09-10, I was told that there would be a six figure surplus returned to the town, yet there was a zero return and when in fact they overspent according to the auditors.

Currently the law does not allow us to cut below the MBR and that must change. In these economic times we no longer have the ability to overfund an education budget while trying to maintain a level of service on the general government side that our taxpayers can afford.

I support reducing the MBR and the reductions needs to be more than \$3,000 dollars per pupil.

Thank you for your time in this matter.

Sincerely,

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